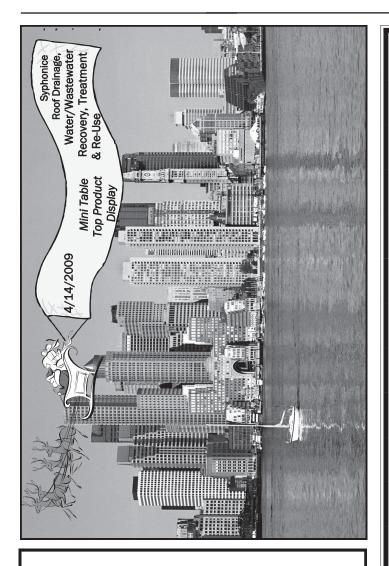
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## **MAIN PROGRAM**

CSI Specification Changes & Updates
Joint Meeting With ASHRAE

## **GUEST SPEAKER**

Robb Wilkerson, Principal of Wil-Spec

## **PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

Social Hour	5:00 - 6:00
Dinner	6:00 - 7:00
Chapter Business	6:45 - 7:00
Speaker / Technical Session	7:00 - 8:30

## MENU

New England Clam Chowder, Grilled Club Cut Sirloin & Brownie a la Mode

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## President's Report

#### **ASPE Convention Update:**

Your Boston Chapter delegation all were in attendance in Long Beach, dutifully attended the ASPE business meetings, and represented the chapter well. Their engaging attitude, focus on the purpose of the meetings, and representation of the Boston Chapter was evident and clear. As with every convention, the Boston Chapter is recognized by their presence and representation of our Chapter. I thank them for their time, efforts and sincere actions to make ASPE and the Boston Chapter a better organization.

The By-Law changes varied in importance from being simple housekeeping items, to hotly contested and controversial. The housekeeping items that passed included removal of the CIPE designation from the By-Law language, to voting practices at future conventions, to separating the Society Secretary and Treasurer positions (a requirement of the Law). The hotly contested revision to eliminate the Chapter dues rebates by Society met with enough resistance during debate, that it's proponent withdrew the proposed by-law change before it was called for a vote! There were numerous proposals submitted by the Northern California Chapter that were attempts to mandate Society actions for communication to Chapters. These were considered so restrictive that Society Officers would not be able to comply, and therefore be non-compliant with the By-laws. The discussion was lively and spirited, and although all of the proposals went down to defeat, a clear message was sent to the Society BOD that their past communication frequency is not adequate, and that they need to do a better job of informing the Chapters of their policies and practices.

On the Society election front, there was a significant move by the overall delegation, to vote for change. Julius Ballanco, and Norman Parks were the only two positions (other than Regional Directors) that were not contested. The push for change unfortunately un-seated our own Bill Hughes from the VP. Education position. The new ASPE Board members are posted on the Society web-site, and they should be congratulated, and need our support to succeed.

#### Ramblings:

As we close out another year, I am reminded that we all have a lot to be thankful for. Be

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## Membership News

#### **New Members**

It is my pleasure to welcome the following new member to the Boston Chapter:

James Scales, Jr. Vanderweil Engineers

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As a new Associate member, James will receive a Boston Chapter Plumbing Designer "Tool bag", filled with an assortment of plumbing "tools" that come in handy both out at the job site as well as back in the office. The tools have been generously donated by the Affiliate members of the Chapter. Also, as a new member, the first Boston Chapter monthly meeting you attend will be free of charge.

#### New Membership Renewal Bylaw

As I indicated in my previous report, there was a proposed bylaw change at the 2008 Convention in Long Beach last month that effects everyone's annual membership renewal. The proposed bylaw change, as passed by a majority of the Delegates in attendance, basically allows Society to send out a membership renewal notice earlier, and effectively eliminates the three month "grace period" extended after the membership anniversary date.

The new policy will allow Society to send out the first membership renewal invoice three months prior to a member's anniversary (renewal) date. A second notice will go out the following month, with a third and final notice will be sent one month after that. If the dues payment is not received prior to a member's anniversary date, their membership will expire on the anniversary date, and they will be removed from the Society and chapter rosters. No further grace period allowed.

In the interest of helping to eliminate expiring memberships within the Boston Chapter, we will begin contacting chapter members before they become delinquent. The hope is that if we send you a friendly email stating you will soon be receiving a membership renewal invoice from Society, you will hopefully be more diligent in returning it promptly. In the end, it will make life a little easier for everyone involved, and that's a good thing.

By John Callahan, CPD, V.P. Memb., Boston Chapter ASPE

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## **Technical Report**

## Joint meeting with ASHRAE December 9th

We are quickly approaching the end of another year. We will be inaugurating a new President, and working to help all of you plan for the future.

We have a great presentation planned for the December 9th meeting, and it proves to be a great topic for our annual joint meeting with our colleagues from ASHRAE. We have **Robb Wilkerson**, **Principal of Wil-Spec**, of Lynnfield, MA. Wil-Spec is an independent specification consultancy, and serves a large number of Architectural firms in the Boston area, many of which are probably very familiar to you. Wil-Spec was founded 18 years ago, and has a great portfolio of projects to their credit. These range from corporate and commercial to hospital work, public and private sector projects.

Some of the areas that Robb is expected to cover include:

- Broad-Scope sections versus narrow scope (Why, value)
- Why the change to the 49? Division format from 16.
- Effects of format change on engineering sections.
- Massachusetts Filed Sub-Bid considerations.
- Industry trends from Arch firm to Arch firm?
- Classic do's and don'ts in specifications.
- Three Part rules (don't put installation language in Part 2), don't specify products in Part 1.
- Where should the BMS controls get specified in the 16 Division Format, Division 17?
- Specific words/language to avoid (may, should, will, etc.)

Please bring your questions, and ask the expert..... Hope to see you all in attendance at this meeting.

By James Polando, PE, CPD, V.P. Technical



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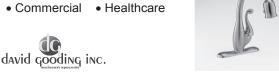
## **Alfred Steele Scholarship Deadline Announced**

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## Gene Sullivan

A. Eugene Sullivan, 77, formerly of Medford, died on Tuesday, November 11, 2008. Gene was an engineer at R.W. Sullivan for over 45 years. And during that time was a long time supporter and promoter of ASPE for his employees. He earned the Firm of the Year honors from ASPE in recognition of his years of support and activity by his employees in ASPE.

Gene is survived by his wife Rosemary A. (Kieran) Sullivan; his daughter, Maura A. Blanchard; two sons, Mark J. Sullivan and Paul D. Sullivan; four grandchildren; two brothers; three sisters; and many nieces and nephews.

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it family, friends, or the right to speak freely, we are individuals that aspire to improve and make our futures better than our pasts. I ask you all to think about the future during the Holidays, and how you can make that future better, and help to support those who extend themselves on behalf of others. This is a very rewarding endeavor, and although considered by some to be thankless, it's value cannot be overstated. As a member of ASPE, and particularly the Boston Chapter, I have been able to accomplish more because of others that put fourth that extra effort on behalf of their ASPE colleagues. I thank them all. My sincere thanks (to the most recent in a long line of exceptional individuals) goes to Bill Hughes for his tireless efforts on behalf of us and our profession!

## New Society Recognition:

I am delighted to announce the formation of a new designation of member that was created at the convention that recognizes those individuals for their significant and unwavering contributions to, and support of, ASPE. The Board of Directors announced the formation of "Fellow", as a recognition of those individuals who exemplify the spirit of ASPE, and have made significant contributions to ASPE by their involvement and actions. I am delighted to be able to report that "Frank G. Teebagy, PE, FASPE" was inducted into this illustrious group, along with the Society founding fathers, and other un-selfish, and long-term contributors. Please join me in congratulating Frank for being included in this group, and for his continuous and out-spoken support of ASPE.

By Frederick Neth, CPD, President, Boston Chapter ASPE

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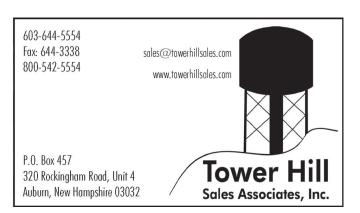
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